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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Bay State Gas Company, D.T.E. 05-27

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

I am writing on behalf of KeySpan Energy Delivery New England (the "Company") to respond to the Hearing Officer's directive for parties to indicate their intent with respect to the submission of a direct case in the above-referenced proceeding. Please note that the Company is considering submitting testimony on the issue of bad-debt recovery. The Company will come to a final decision on whether it will submit testimony once the filing of discovery responses on this issue is complete.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



Robert J. Keegan

cc: Caroline Bulger, Hearing Officer
Andrew Kaplan, General Counsel
John Cope-Flanagan, Assistant General Counsel
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Robert Dewees, Esq.
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